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A COMEDIC TAKE

A comedy show called “A Shot of Reality” will bring attention to alcohol-related issues and risks on Thursday night. The show is hosted by the University Board.

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MEANT FOR GREATNESS

Eastern sophomore linebacker Dytarious Johnson is showing potential for mental growth over the next two years of his football career.

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Discussion on BLM flag continues at Student Senate

By Analicia Haynes
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Discussion continued regarding the placement of a Black Lives Matter Flag underneath the American Flag in the South Quad during African-American Heritage Month but nothing was voted on at the Student Senate meeting Wednesday.

Alicia Matusiak, the vice president of student affairs, and student senator Ean Watson said Wednesday’s discussion was fueled by audience participation from the Oct. 31 meeting and was not a precursor to the anticipated resolution the Student Senate is expected to write and vote on to determine whether the campus supports or does not support the raising of the Black Lives Matter flag.

The audience participation they referred to was the presentation Morgan Colvin, a junior political science major, and Keshyra Blumberg, a junior English secondary education major, gave that explained what Black Lives Matter is and how it started.

They also answered several misconceptions regarding the movement and their petition as well at the Oct. 31 meeting.

Colvin said there are currently over 600 signatures on the petition and by the end of the month they will have tabling events to answer questions about the movement and the flag as well as clarify any misconceptions.

Blumberg said the goal right now is to educate everyone and after listening to the discussion at Wednesday’s meeting, she said she felt the drive to strive for more education on the topic.

She said seeing how misinformed some of the senators were made her hope that they reach out to her and Colvin to have their questions answered.

Colvin said the flag is only going to be raised during the month of February and therefore there is not anything wrong with wanting to raise it on campus since the month is dedicated to the plight of African-Americans.

“We only get one month, that’s all we get,” Colvin said. “We’re not (asking to raise the flag) randomly. Yes there’s more than one struggle in this country but we just want to focus on us (African-Americans)...there’s nothing wrong with that.”

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CAA to discuss new hospitality major

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The Council On Academic Affairs will meet Thursday at 2 p.m. in Room 4440 of Booth Library.

The council has 11 items to add to next week’s agenda and they have a pending item, a new major in hospitality and tourism.

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SUMMER JACOBS | THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS

Beth Preston and Benjamin Shank talk on Wednesday morning at the Fall Education Job Fair, held in the Grand Ballroom of the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union.

School districts, Eastern students connect at Fall Education Job Fair

By Faith Morris
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As students think ahead to graduation, events like the Fall Education Job Fair held Wednesday in the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union showcase not only which school districts are hiring but give students a chance to talk with potential employers as well.

Amanda Wiedler, a senior elementary education major, said she has attended the fair before and was glad to return.

“I came to look at some potential job opportunities and network,” Wiedler said. “I came to this job fair last year, and there were a lot of the same people here today who remembered me, which was nice.”

Merrian Tice, a senior elementary education major, said she also found the job fair especially helpful for networking.

“I like that you get to meet people face-to-face,” Tice said. “You know you can go online and search a town, but having a person from that area that you get to talk to, helps you get a more real feel of what the area is like.”

While job fairs are designed to display the many employment opportunities available to students, vendors also learn from the process and find them valuable, said Beth Harbaugh, principal at Shiloh Schools in Hume, Illinois.

“We really depend on Eastern to supply us with student teachers and practicum students, that eventually become full-time teachers,” Harbaugh said.

Specifically, Harbaugh said she is looking for graduates interested in starting their teaching careers immediately.

“We have been fortunate that everyone we have talked to so far graduates in December. So that makes us pretty excited,” Harbaugh said.

Ariel Luke, an educational recruitment specialist with Clark County High School in Las Vegas, Nevada, was also recruiting students for



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Kari Daniel and Taylor Hathcoat converse at the Fall Education Job Fair held Wednesday in the Grand Ballroom of the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union.

her district and has been for many years.

“We have had great success with Eastern Illinois University in the past. You guys have a strong music program, and we look for music teachers,” Luke said. “We also are the fifth-largest school district in the nation and the fastest growing, so we really look for teachers of all kinds.”

Being from Nevada, Luke said she encourages and interacts with students who are open to moving away.

“I always tell students to look at all opportunities; you don’t always want to go out of state, but sometimes taking that opportunity can get you to a higher place. Look at growth potential when (you) are searching for a job,” Luke said.

John Lawrence, principal of Blue Ridge

High School in Farmer City, Illinois, said he was pleased with how many students attended.

“Eastern graduates are all very friendly, dressed appropriately, and they all look like they want a job, which is exactly what employers want to see,” Lawrence stated.


Hannah Magnus, a secondary math education major, said finding employment after college is a high priority her and most other graduates.

“The job fairs are a great way for you to see all your options,” Magnus said. “When I was little, I had a great teacher that made me feel really special. I would like to do that for other students one day.”

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New acting attorney general is GOP loyalist from Iowa

IOWA CITY, Iowa (AP) — The man who will serve at least temporarily as the nation's top law enforcement official is a relatively inexperienced Republican Party loyalist from Iowa who has called for limiting special counsel Robert Mueller's investigation.

Matthew G. Whitaker, 49, will become the nation's acting attorney general following the forced resignation of Jeff Sessions. President Donald Trump announced the appointment Wednesday, saying on Twitter that Whitaker "will serve our Country well" and that a permanent attorney general will be nominated later.

The former federal prosecutor served as Sessions' chief of staff for one year.

The bulk of Whitaker's relevant experience came when he served as U.S. attorney for the Southern District of Iowa from 2004 until 2009, a position for which he was recommended by Iowa Republican Sen. Chuck Grassley, now chairman of the Senate Judiciary Committee. In that role, the telegenic former college football player managed attorneys who prosecuted federal crimes and represented the government in civil matters in half of Iowa.

Critics worry that Whitaker may be unlikely or unwilling to defend the Department of Justice's independence against political interference by the White House, given his history of partisanship and loyalty to Trump. Senate Minority Leader Chuck Schumer said Wednesday that Whitaker should recuse himself from overseeing the Mueller investigation given his previous public comments that appeared to exhibit hostility toward the inquiry.

During a brief stint last year as a conservative legal commentator on CNN, Whitaker often appeared as a Trump defender, saying he saw no evidence the president colluded with Russians during the 2016 campaign or obstructed justice. He wrote last year on CNN.com that Rosenstein should limit the scope of Mueller's investigation to stop him from delving into Trump's finances.

Pritzker wins over voters worried about corruption, budget issues

SPRINGFIELD, Ill. (AP) — Gov.-elect J.B. Pritzker's victory over incumbent Bruce Rauner was fueled by dissatisfaction with the Republican's handling of a state budget crisis and by greater trust in the Democrat to eradicate government corruption.

Pritzker, who used \$172 million of his own money in the campaign, more than any gubernatorial candidate in U.S. history, said Wednesday that despite the labels with which his opponent tagged him, voters trust him to scrub Illinois politics of its shady reputation.

"We've got to rid our state of corruption. We've got to have transparency in government, change the campaign fi-

nance system, we've got to get rid of the conflicts of interest that people have," Pritzker said Wednesday in an interview with The Associated Press. "I think people just didn't trust Gov. Rauner to get things done. I think they do trust me to do that and I will."

The fiscal standoff, the longest endured by any state since at least the Great Depression, loomed large. Nearly two-thirds of voters in Illinois disapproved of Rauner's handling of it and about three-quarters of them voted for Pritzker, according to results from AP VoteCast, a nationwide survey of more than 115,000 voters and 20,000 non-voters conducted for the AP by NORC at the University of Chicago.

Voters' views on corruption ran counter to the story line repeated by Rauner, who cast his budget-battle nemesis, Chicago Democratic House Speaker Michael Madigan, and Pritzker as corrupt, machine-style politicians in an "unholy union."

VoteCast found that 79 percent said corruption in Illinois' government is a "major problem." Pritzker apparently led among those who concurred with that assessment, 51 percent to 41.

Pritzker won 54 percent of the vote to Rauner's 39.3 percent, according to unofficial election returns. That 14.7 percentage-point margin is the largest defeat of an incumbent Illinois governor since at least 1900.

Democrats knock some holes in wall of Republican control, fall short of blue wave

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo. (AP) — The Republican wall that has stood in state capitols for much of the past decade now has a few holes in it.

Democrats flipped control of seven gubernatorial offices, marking their greatest gains in several decades, and picked up hundreds of state legislative seats in Tuesday's first midterm elections of President Donald Trump's tenure.

Yet those victories didn't quite reach the lofty goals of an anticipated blue wave, leaving both major parties with reason for hope on Wednesday as they look ahead to another pivotal battle in 2020.

Some of the biggest wins for Democrats came in the Midwest, where Republicans had virtually wiped them out in prior elections. Democrats defeated Republican Govs. Scott Walker in

Wisconsin and Bruce Rauner in Illinois while picking up open seats previously held by Republican governors in Michigan and Kansas.

Democrats also flipped control of governors' offices being vacated by Republicans in Maine, Nevada and New Mexico.

The Democratic Governors Association said it was their greatest number of pickups since 1982, the first midterm election of Republican President Ronald Reagan. The Democratic group's chairman, Washington Gov. Jay Inslee, called it "a broad-based win" and a historically big rejection of the president's party.

"For those who were troubled by the results of 2016 in the Midwest, we have proved that the Democrats can run and win," Inslee said.

Yet Republicans held on to the governor's office in other key swing states tar-

geted by Democrats, including Florida, Ohio and Iowa. Republican Secretary of State Brian Kemp also was leading in Georgia's gubernatorial race, though Democrat Stacey Abrams held out hope that absentee and the provisional ballots remaining to be counted could push Kemp's percentage below 50 percent and force a runoff.

Republicans picked up one new governor's office — a seat previously held by an independent in Alaska.

Republicans entered Tuesday's election controlling 33 governors' offices and two-thirds of the 99 state legislative chambers. The Democratic gubernatorial victories will push that closer to an even split. But Republicans will still control at least three-fifths of the state legislative chambers, even after Democrats flipped about a half-dozen chambers.

University of Illinois seeking 16 percent funding boost

URBANA, Ill. (AP) — University of Illinois officials are planning to seek a 16.5 percent funding boost from the state toward making up money it lost from the state's long budget standoff.

University administrators say they'll ask the Board of Trustees next week to support a state funding re-

quest of \$692.5 million. The (Champaign) News-Gazette reports university leaders say that would still fall below 2010 funding when adjusted for inflation.

The funding request will cover the university's Urbana-Champaign, Chicago and Springfield campuses.

Executive Vice President Barbara Wilson says the university system received only about 28 percent of its typical state funding in 2016. She says that shortfall hasn't been replenished.

About two-thirds of the funding increase would go toward pay raises and faculty recruitment and retention.

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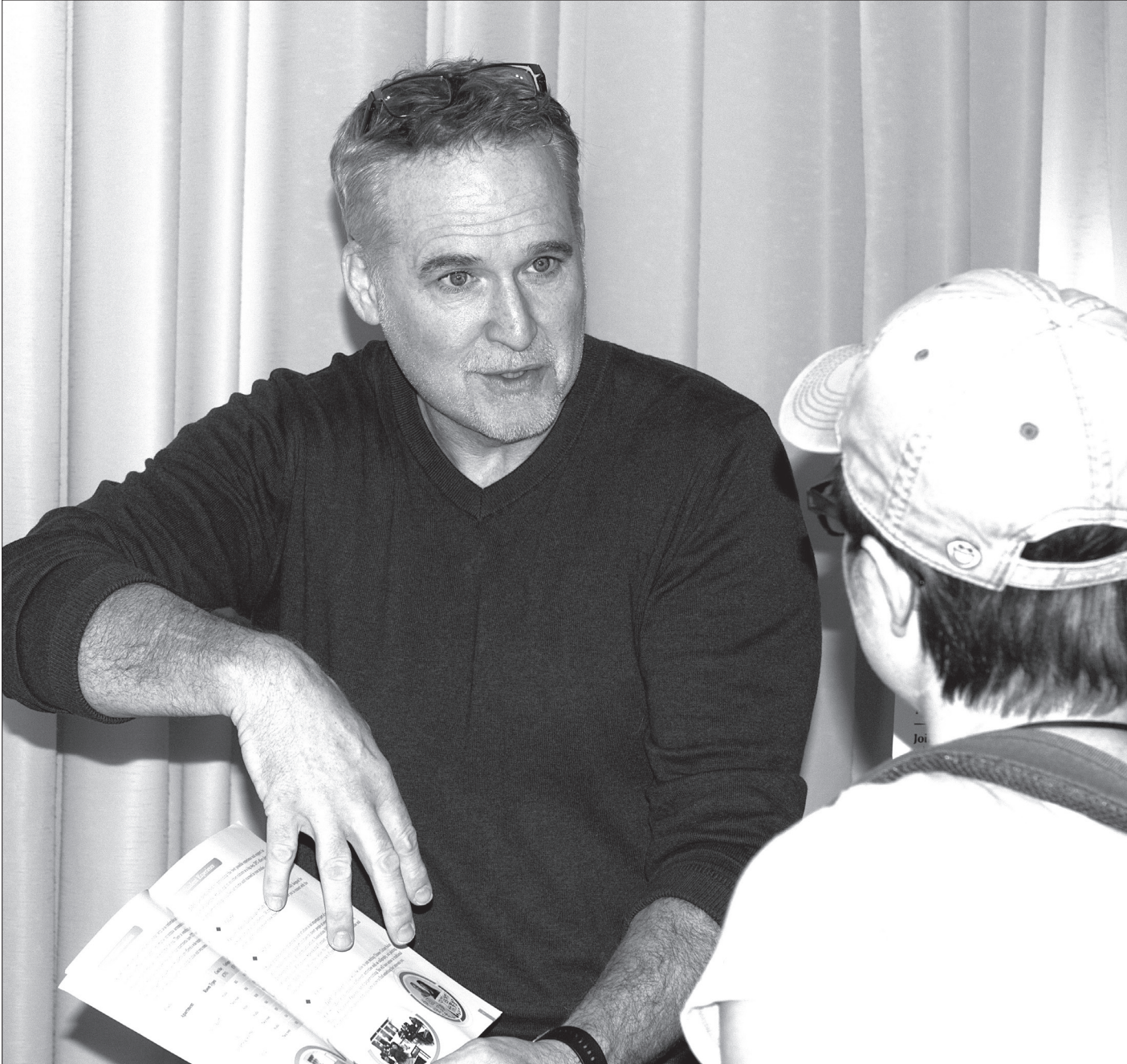
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Worldwide travel



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Randall Beebe, a professor of English, speaks to a student about the China study abroad program during the Study Abroad Fair Wednesday morning in the University Ballroom at the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union.

Speaker to discuss math applied in life

By Brooke Schwartz
News Editor | @bsschwartz1

Benson Farb, a math professor at the University of Chicago, will be giving a talk titled ‘The Power of X: Polynomials, Braids and You’.

The talk, happening Thursday at 6 p.m. in the Lecture Hall of the Doudna Fine Arts Center, is, according to the poster, the first part in the 2018 Perry Lectures, sponsored by William Perry, past Eastern president and professor in the department of mathematics and computer sciences.

Farb said polynomials have always been important in life and in understanding the world that surrounds us.

“(Polynomials) run your life, whether you like it or not. The equations that describe nature and predict motion are all polynomials. These are things people have been trying to understand since the Babylonians, like 3,000 years ago, so I’m basically going to talk about some of the mind-blowing ways that we’re now understanding polynomials,” Farb said. “There’s some problems you can’t do an exact computation, you can’t do stuff on a computer, you just want to understand qualitatively the nature of solutions.”

He said math has come far and is continuing to grow and evolve.

“Mathematicians, we’ve progressed so far, it’s the equivalent (of) if physicists were doing teleportation,” Farb said.

He said the talk is meant for people of any age and any background, with the subject matter being important to everyone.

“Most people don’t understand that everything is based on science and mathematics,” he said. “From automobiles, computers, when you use an ATM machine you’re solving equations; (it’s) understanding (that) the universe isn’t some theoretical thing, it’s a part of every single aspect of our lives.”

Farb said he hopes people gain a new world perspective and that they realize math and science are about the truth, and many qualified people are out there searching for just that.

“Just knowing that people are searching for the truth, it’s beautiful and it’s fundamental and even if you’re not doing (searching for it) yourself, it’s really good to know about the enterprise,” he said. “Just to feel that somebody’s doing it.”

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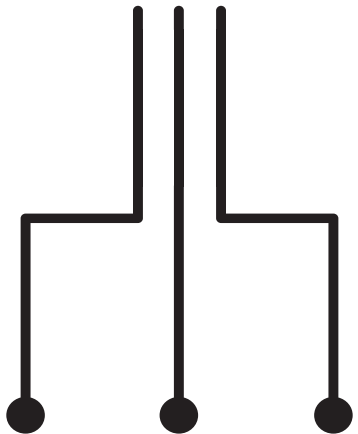
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Keep going;
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Now that the election is over, the next big event on everyone’s minds is Thanksgiving (or for some of us, Christmas, and we won’t lie and say we haven’t already been watching Christmas movies).

Anyway, we at *The Daily Eastern News* will be grateful to have a week off, and we’re sure most of the student body is now also waiting in eager anticipation for that break.

The problem is, Thanksgiving break is still over a week away. It might close enough to taste, but it is far enough away to make next week one of the most annoying weeks of the entire semester.

At this point, major deadlines are biting at our heels. A lot of us are falling behind, we’re losing motivation and we have no concept of what being fully awake is anymore.

But this is the time that we should be especially attentive and try hard as students.

It is crucial to go to class and pay attention because this is when most students have a lot of work to do, whether it is cumulative tests, pre-Thanksgiving papers or huge projects.

We need to make sure we’re trying to stay on top of things and retaining information. Otherwise, our future selves will regret cutting corners when we’re studying for finals.

It is hard, but there is value in what we are taught, and the material we are learning now is no less important than what we were learning at the beginning of the semester when we were so happy and full of life.


Everything likes to malfunction at this point in the semester and make things extra hard on all of us. It’s unfortunate, but it happens. We could either let the problems and stress consume us, or we could try to make the most out of it.

Besides, all of these malfunctions strengthen our ability to be flexible and handle whatever problems we encounter in the future. We’ve made it this far handling all our duties, what’s another stressful couple of weeks?

Then we’ll finally get a chance to relax, enjoy the presence of our families, and be thankful for what we accomplished.

We’re so close to Thanksgiving break. Surely we can make it one more week.

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How to talk politics with your friends, family

Well, the midterms are over.

Moving on, I’d like to discuss how we frame the issues that lie ahead of our country. To paraphrase John Adams, or maybe it was President Johnson, or maybe a Halliburton executive in Iraq? I forget, anyway, we have a battle of “hearts and minds” ahead of us. We have to mend this country, and make sure the good values rise above the bad.

But how can you do that when rhetoric has taken over all forms of conversation? When every term to describe every issue has been carefully tailored to evoke positive or negative emotions?

The answer my friends, is inventing a new language.

Winning over friends and relatives to egalitarian values is especially difficult in light of the polarizing and disheartening events of the last two years. But it can be done if you completely abandon mainstream terms.

Let’s start with healthcare. Never use that word again. When discussing issues regarding healthcare, refer to it as the “medical industry problem.” What does that mean? Why, the complete failure of America, for decades, to meet the needs of the public while satisfying private influences. It means unnecessary tests that send medical costs skyrocketing. It means a litany of pharmaceutical drugs that are exorbitantly priced, and administrative insurance costs that are downright criminal. It’s the ugly mix of business, lobbying and profit that has soaked its way into how hospitals function.

With the “medical industry problem” or MIP, you can broach these conversations, as well as discussing solutions like single-payer systems, universal healthcare and the dismantling of the insurance industry hegemony. But never use the single-payer word or the universal word. Only MIP. You can also use this ver-



COLIN ROBERTS

biage to avoid misinformation and exaggerations normally brought up in conversations about such things.

Immigration is another biggie. When you want to discuss people who wish to come to this country, avoid using words such as “immigrants,” “migrants” or “people seeking asylum.” These words have unfortunately been coopted by bad faith actors and weaponized to dehumanize our neighbors.

Too many Americans dislike people who do not look or sound like them. But Americans do like America, and capitalism, and rugged cowboy individualism. Therefore, when discussing immigration policy with friends and family, refer to the immigrants as “future consumers.”

Bring up the fact that we need to stop “separating the little future consumers from the big future consumers” during diner conversations. Even your oldest, most xenophobic relatives will pause to consider this. They might even agree that everyone should have the right to one day stand in line at McDonalds. Use this opening to suggest that we should also stop restricting access to the asylum ports, or “Freedom Towers.” Naturally your family members will clap and agree.

Consumer phraseology is useful when discussing anyone else the current administration is trying to de-

humanize. African Americans and LGBT folks. Birth citizens. Jewish people and Muslims. I’m sure this list will expand. The point is, change how your unsympathetic friends view others. After all, we’re all in this shopping mall together.

Moving on, the environment is another very important issue. It’s very important that you never use any terms associated with conservationism, meteorology, oceanography or climatology when discussing it. In America, corporations are people, and people have the right to individual pursuits of profit and happiness.

America does NOT like when things infringe on other things. Infringing is bad. Use this to your advantage. Refer to the environment as “America’s lawn.” Mention to your anti-regulation relatives that “some subsidized free-loaders sure are infringing on America’s lawn. What happens if they seize all our grass?” Your more libertarian friends will dislike most of the words in that sentence and hopefully start thinking about collective survival over individual wealth accumulation.

I could go on, but the main point is to tailor the language to your audience. Healthcare, immigration reform, human rights and the environment are just a few of the issues that have been unfortunately maligned by special interest groups. We have to combat misinformation with truth. Failing that, we have to reframe the conversation faster than the special interest group can poison the conversation.

Or, if I’m being perfectly honest, we could push the special interest groups out of the talks, and have a frank conversation with each other about what we want next. It’s our country, after all. And if nothing else, the midterms showed that well care deeply for it.

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Prioritize school at this time of the semester

I’ve said it once, and I’ll continue to say it a thousand more times: this semester is insanely busy. I have—what seems like—a paper due every other day, several short stories to read nightly and a couple of projects a week. There’s barely time to breathe. So, what did I decide to do? Get a job! Of course!

I made this same move around the last month-or-so in the spring semester of 2018, and—spoiler alert—it didn’t work out very well. I worked at a food place that intensely trained me four days a week for six hours at a time and, while I’m no stranger to working a lot and having a lot of homework, I was completely out of my element. In hindsight, this job would’ve worked out much better in the summer, but alas. The job was in Charleston and I do not live anywhere close to Charleston.

Physically, it was pretty demanding. I’ve been working in the food industry since I was sixteen. It wasn’t my first rodeo working long shifts on my feet, making food or dealing with customers. The difference was, when I transferred to Eastern, I really started putting my all into my school work. I wanted



MEGAN KEANE

that 4.0. If I had time to study and work to get an A, I was going to do it. And, I quickly realized that my previous ideals of balancing my life amongst work, school, and a social life were not very well balanced.

While I was in community college—or even high school—my main focus was work. Work was where I made money, work was where I had my friends, work was my life. Everything else was secondary to that. I started to recognize this same behavioral pattern in myself when I started that job last spring. I was ne-

glecting my studies, I was putting shifts before school, and at this point in my life, school has to come first if I can help it.

To be honest, up until this point in my life, I wasn’t in the greatest space mentally. So, that could be why I applied myself the most at work; I got the most gratification out of that setting. Since adding a major and with graduation creeping up, I’ve placed more priority in school and, as a result, my future.

This time around, I’m limiting myself to how much I can realistically work. When I say school comes first, I mean school comes first. And you should, too! I implore you to take a good, long look at your life and prioritize. I know I needed to get mine in order. Divide your time up—not evenly, necessarily, but—by what aspect deserves it the most. It probably won’t make your life easier, but it might clear up some stress.

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Study night



THALIA ROULEY | THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS

Nolan Webb, a senior middle-level education major, relaxes in the Taylor Hall lobby Wednesday evening. He said he is spending his night studying and doing homework.

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Colvin also said she hopes the petition and the discussion surrounding it helps open doors for other marginalized communities such as the LGBT community to have the opportunity to raise their respected flags.

Colvin also said she does not see how the topic is “rushed,” rather if anything is being rushed, it is not on their end, it is on the Student Senate’s end.

Both Bluminberg and Colvin said they want to see and hear other opinions about the flag and they want to have those conversations to help people.

Going forward, Matusiak said she wants to continue to do more outreach to not only ask the campus community what they think but also inform them on the movement and what the flag stands for.

She said student senator Nia Douglas will attend the meetings of key organizations to have an open discussion regarding the topic and senators will continue to ask their constituents about the flag and what they think.

One of the questions she hopes senators will ask students is, “What precedent will our recommendation set for other groups with similar requests?” These groups include Blue Lives Matter and those who want to wave a Confederate Flag, Matusiak said referring to a sheet of paper where several questions

were written down on.

When the proposal or resolution will come to the table is still up in the air, Matusiak and Watson said. But in the meantime, they said students and those who support the petition have the opportunity to speak with senators on creating a bill for the resolution.

Matusiak also said that Colvin and Bluminberg need to have a final plan before the senate writes a resolution and votes.

“We can’t recommend this event if we don’t know all that’s attached to it,” Matusiak said.

When asked when the student body can expect to see a proposal, Watson said the Senate was told that Colvin and Bluminberg wanted to start the discussion with Student Senate because they were not ready to have a proposal because they did not have enough signatures on the petition.

At this point, they said they are waiting to hear from Colvin and Bluminberg to move the discussion and the resolution forward.

**For more information on the discussion held at the meeting visit [dailyeasternnews.com](#).*

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Students can make ugly art, drink wine, talk at Tarble event

By Dee Luter
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Ugly Art Paint ‘n Sip, a day of open conversation and pasta sauce, will be held in the Tarble Arts Center Thursday from 6 to 7 p.m.

Tim Abel, museum and education manager, started working at Eastern in July of 2018.

“I wanted to work at Eastern Illinois University because they really respect what the staff is doing here with art.” Abel said.

Ugly Art Paint ‘n Sip is inspired by the Tarble’s theme, in the eye of the beholder.

“All paint doesn’t have to be perfect, in the eye of the beholder,” Abel said.

Attendees will use spaghetti pasta and marinara sauce on canvas to create the art piece Medusa Marinara, an idea inspired by Vik Muniz, an internationally known artist.

Abel said the use of Medusa was no coincidence.

“Medusa was a beautiful woman then became ugly and could turn people into stone,” he said.

This event is a twist on the legendary paint ‘n sip concept.

“It’s a rip off paint ‘n sip. Taking an idea and building on it, making people feel that all art is not perfect,” Abel said.

This event is programmed to open conversation about all topics, including controversial ones.

“Topics are not always meant to be beautiful, and art is meant to make us purposefully talk, and talking about heavy conversation and creating something great can make art to be a little light-hearted,” Abel said.

The age requirement is 21 and older, because wine will be served during the event.

“This night is all about challenging beauty and accepting comfort in all narratives.”

-Tim Abel, museum and education manager, Tarble Arts Center

Although, the artwork is being made of pasta and sauce, a digital picture will be taken for memory’s sake.

Abel said people can expect genuine communication and messy artwork.

“Expect great conversation and a way to talk about art in an honest and fun way,” Abel said.

According to Eastern’s website, the night is about looking at beauty in a different way.

“This night is all about challenging beauty and accepting comfort in all narratives,” the website said.

Abel said, do not dress too fancy for the evening.

“Aprons and gloves will be provided. Please wear something that you are OK in getting messing in,” said Abel.

Ugly Art Paint ‘N Sip is a night to relax and enjoy conversation about art. This is the first year of Ugly Art Paint ‘N Sip, and participants will be asked to take a survey at the end of the event.

Abel encourages people to show their support on Thursday.

“The more people the better the outcome, and it will be more fun. This is all about conversation and discovering new ideas,” Abel said.

More information about the first annual Ugly Paint’ N Sip night can be found at www.eiu.edu/tarble.

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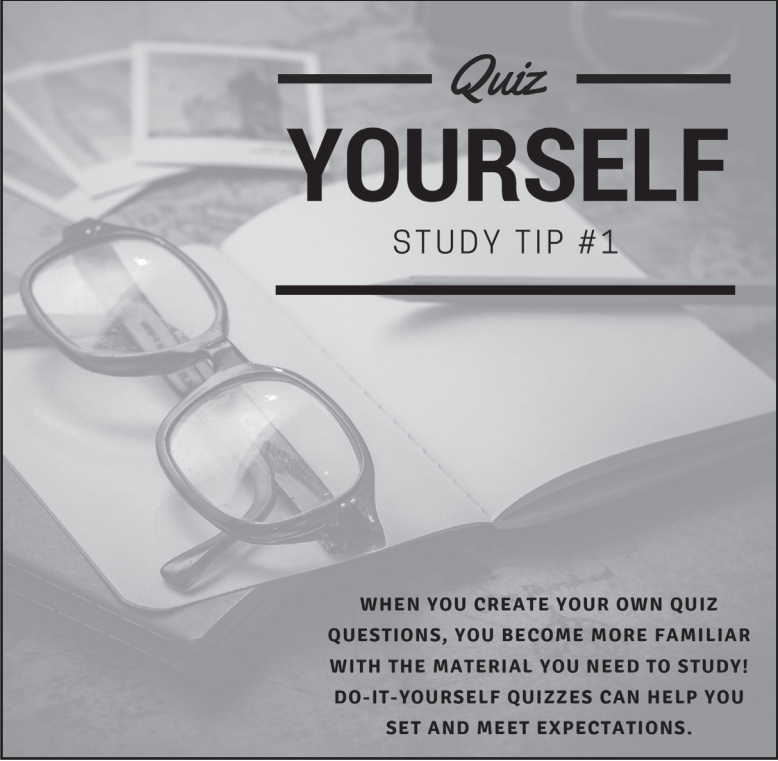
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Comedy show to cover alcohol dangers, issues

By Mercury Bowen
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The University Board will be hosting “A Shot of Reality” at 7 p.m. Thursday in the Grand Ballroom at the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union.

Two comedians will be hosting the comedy event and will be discussing alcohol awareness and the dangers of alcohol as well as addressing issues such as alcoholism, binge drinking, health risks, drunk driving and others.

Tess McArthy, the University Board Human Potential Coordinator, said the show is a good way for students to become more aware of alcohol dangers in a funny and lighthearted way.

Eliza Daugherty, the University Board concert coordinator, said she thinks the show will be a good learning experience.

“It will be really cool for people to learn about drinking in general, the dangers of it and how it relates to college students,” Daugherty said. “People know that you drink in college, but they don’t always see how dangerous it can be. This just brings a different perspective to it because they combine comedy with it, so it’s not just somebody lecturing at you and talking at you. They’re engaging with you, and they’re interactive, and they try and incorporate the students as much as they can.”

According to McArthy, members of the University Board discovered A Shot of Reality last semester and decided to bring the show to Eastern.

“Dallas Lancenese, our spotlight coordinator last semester who is now our chair, came to me and said, ‘Hey, I found these comedians. They seem pretty funny, and they promote a good cause,’” McArthy said. “I said, ‘OK, I’ll watch

“This just brings a different perspective (to drinking) because they combine comedy with it, so it’s not just somebody lecturing at you ... They’re engaging with you, and they’re interactive.”

-Eliza Daugherty, University Board concert coordinator

some clips and see if we want to bring them.”

McArthy said students can expect a lot of good laughs from the show.

“Hopefully students can learn a little bit more about the dangers of alcohol,” McArthy said. “EIU does a great job with AlcoholEdu talking about standard drinks and things like that, but it’s always nice to have a little bit of a refresher without it getting shoved down your throat.”

The show uses comedy to keep the topics light and friendly, McArthy said.

“It’s not like a forced educational experience,”

McArthy said. “It’s just entertainment and, hey, you might learn something along the way.”

What McArthy said she is most looking forward to is the entertainment aspect of the show.

“I always like watching our comedians and our entertainers that we bring in,” McArthy said. “I think it’s always a really fun experience. Places like EIU are really lucky to be able to bring in such talented and great artists and entertainers.”

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Professor to recite original poetry at memorial reading

By Mercury Bowen
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The Eastern English department will sponsor the second Nancy Hennings Memorial Poetry Reading at 6 p.m. Thursday at Bob’s Bookstore.

Creative writing professor Bess Winter will be featured reading original work at the event along with graduate student Kelly Pierce.

Winter began teaching creative writing at Eastern at the beginning of the fall semester, and she said the reading will be a good way to bring out members of the community.

“Hopefully it brings members of our English department and our students,” Winter said. “It’s a chance for us to share our creative work and just share a nice evening of enjoying writing.”

Winter said she is most looking forward to reading her work because she is new to Eastern.

“I’m looking forward to being able to share my work with my new colleagues and my new community, especially because it’s new work,” Winter said. “I usually don’t often read new work for a crowd, but I’m excited to share this particular piece because it was something that I wrote when I got to Charleston. It’s about Charleston in some ways.”

English professor Daiva Markelis said the Nancy Hennings Memorial Poetry Reading



Bess Winter

series was initiated in memory of a woman from the Charleston community.

“Nancy Hennings was kind of a guiding cultural force in Charleston,” Markelis said. “She would have these literary salons, and people would come and read from their work. I think it was mostly poetry.”

When Nancy Hennings died, her daughter, Deirdre Hennings, endowed money to continue her mother’s tradition.

The series includes three annual readings, and usually features a grad student as well as a faculty member and sometimes a featured guest reader from outside of the community.

“(The readings) usually take place in a very informal setting,” Markelis said. “We’ve been very grateful that Bob’s Bookstore has allowed us to use their space for nothing.”

Markelis said her favorite part of doing the readings is the variety of writers who

have participated.

“We’ve had really interesting poets,” Markelis said. “Sometimes we have fiction writers, and that’s great. I think it’s nice to have something that isn’t just EIU-related, that isn’t just the campus, but we have quite a few people who are not students or faculty and they come and enjoy the readings, so I like that it’s kind of a community-building event.”

The readings will be free and open to the public and will also feature snacks and refreshments.

“It’s a good way for people to know of other writers in the area,” Markelis said. “It’s great for the students because they get practice in reading their work.”

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- ACROSS
- 1 Pride Month inits.

5 Org. defending 1-Across rights

9 At full speed

14 This and that

15 “Yay!”

16 1930s vice president John ____ Garner

17 It might pop out of a kid’s mouth

19 Thus far

20 Seven-time All-Star Dave, who pitched for the Toronto Blue Jays

21 Wind instrument

23 Heavy metal band whose name is a euphemism for “Jesus Christ!”

27 Notable times

31 Pacific Northwest hub, informally

32 Main connections, of a sort

34 Going rates?

39 Touching

40 Carefully explained

42 Profundity

43 Fashion designer whose namesake brand features a rhinoceros in its logo

44 “Count me in!”

47 Distort

48 Swinger’s club

53 Eponymous regatta-winning yacht of 1851

54 Bumbling

59 Occupy, as a table

60 Ingredient in some cocktails ... or a hint to the last words in 17-, 23-, 32-, 43- and 48-Across

64 Occupied

- 65 Long nap?
- 66 Actress Dobrev of “The Vampire Diaries”
- 67 Bounded
- 68 “This is probably dumb but I’m doing it anyway” hashtag
- 69 Online handicrafts marketplace

- DOWN
- 1 High shots

2 Overabundance

3 Benjamin Netanyahu’s nickname

4 Choice A for Hamlet

5 Flabbergasted feeling

6 Minor player, metaphorically

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8 Greatest extent

9 Southern, and then some

10 An official language of New Zealand

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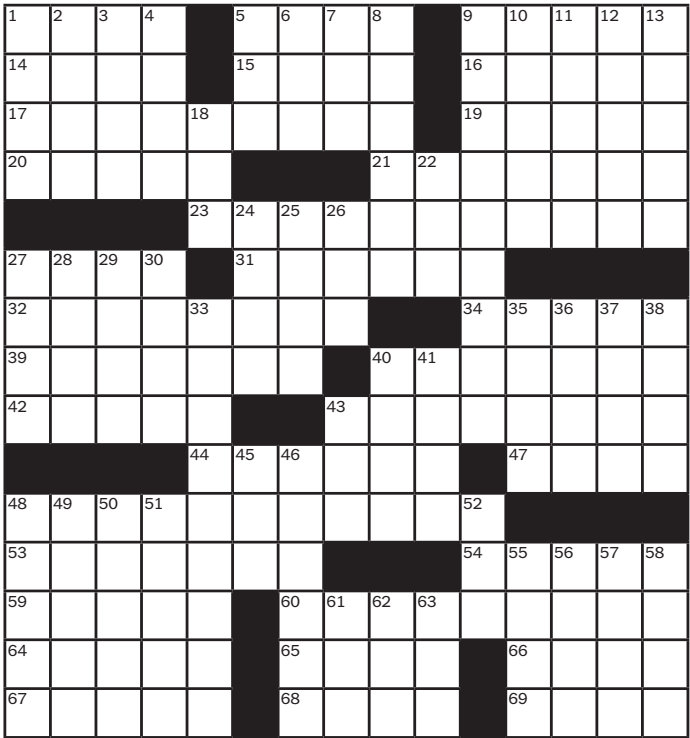
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- 26 Penlight powerers, often

27 “My word!”

28 Fury

29 Rush order

30 Stick in the fire?

33 Under restraint

35 “To ...” things

36 Stone-cold cinch

37 Gospel with the Prodigal Son parable

38 Put in a hold

40 Epitome of gentleness

41 Calculus calculation

43 Evil, in Laval

45 High Sierra runner

46 Like a blank stare

48 Herb with “sweet” and “holy” varieties

49 ____ acid

50 Institute

51 Wipe away

52 Senator Kaine of Virginia

55 Soccer striker’s jersey number, traditionally

56 Out

57 Female swans

58 Server load?

61 “Well, what have we here?!”

62 Indian lentil dish

63 Before this time

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WOMEN'S BASKETBALL | NOTEBOOK

4 OVC teams win in opening games

By Adam Tumino
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The 2018-19 season began on Tuesday for six of the OVC's 12 women's basketball teams. Four of the teams won their opening games, and the other two suffered losses.

Among the four victorious teams, the average margin of victory was 36 points.

Eastern scored the most points in its opener, beating Oakland City 102-43. The 59-point margin was also the highest from the conference's opening games.

Eastern finished in last place in the OVC last season with a conference record of 2-16 and an overall record of 3-26.

The Panthers were led on Tuesday by junior Carmen Tellez. She scored 13 points in 11 minutes and went 4-6 from the field, including 3-5 from three-point range. She also added two free throws.

Jacksonville State, which finished in fifth place last season,

doubled up their opponent on Tuesday. They beat Florida A&M 62-31.

The Gamecocks were led in scoring by senior Rayven Pearson, who scored 14 points and collected 10 rebounds.

Last season's 10th place team, Tennessee Tech, won their opener 88-55 over Cumberland University. The 33-point margin of victory was the second-highest for an OVC team on Tuesday.

The Golden Eagles' leading scorer was senior Lacy Cantrell, who scored 19 points in 20 minutes off the bench. She shot 8-10 from the field and 3-4 from the free throw line.

Tennessee-Martin scored 89 points in their opener, which was the second-most points scored behind Eastern. Sophomore guard Zaire Hicks led the way with 16 points and five assists in 23 minutes.

Hicks played in 32 games as a freshman last season, but only started one game for the Skyhawks,



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Junior guard Danielle Berry drives to the basket during Eastern's 102-43 victory over Oakland City Tuesday in Lantz Arena.

who finished in second place in the OVC. She averaged 2.9 points and 0.9 assists per game.

The two losing teams in the OVC had tougher matchups on Tuesday.

Austin Peay lost 69-48 against Cincinnati. The Bearcats played

in the WNIT last March but lost to Michigan State in the opening round 81-75.

Southeast Missouri suffered the worst loss of the OVC teams that played on Tuesday, but also played the best opponent.

The Redhawks lost to Mississippi State 88-53. Mississippi State was ranked sixth in the NCAA according to the preseason AP Top-25. They were also a one seed in the NCAA Tournament last season and lost in the championship game 61-58 against Notre Dame.

Among the OVC teams who did not play on Tuesday was last season's top seed, Belmont. The Bruins were 31-4 last season and 27-6 in the 2016-17 season.

Belmont has also not lost a conference game since February 15, 2016.

There are still approximately two months until conference play begins for this season in early January.

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MEN'S SOCCER | NOTEBOOK

Paths to Summit League men's soccer tournament

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The men's Summit League soccer season has had some ups and downs for its teams this year, and the positions of the teams in conference standings have jumped around quite a bit.

With the conference tournament starting Thursday, now is a good time to look at how each of the four teams in the tournament have gotten to this point.

Denver

The Pioneers have not been a surprise to constantly be at the top of the conference this season.

They have continued their success over the last five years and

carried it into this year, which includes a constant top-10 ranking in NCAA Division I men's soccer polls.

The biggest reason the Pioneers have found the success that they have enjoyed for much of this year is because of their senior forward, Andre Shinyashiki.

He has singlehandedly been a wrecking crew to opponents this year, and he has lead the NCAA in scoring the whole year, now sitting with 27 goals on the season.

Omaha

Last season, Omaha lost to Denver in the conference championship, and, barring any upset victories Thursday, the Mavericks will meet Denver in the same situation again.

Omaha has had the biggest comeback of any team in the Summit League this season. The Mavericks were in last place right before conference play started, but, after opening conference play with a loss to Denver, Omaha shot up to second place and has stayed there since.

Omaha played a tough match against Denver in the conference opener for both teams, losing in a close 4-3 match. And, surprise surprise, Shinyashiki scored all four goals for Denver in that match.

Fort Wayne

The Mastodons are the quiet team that has slowly crept their way into a postseason tournament spot.

Fort Wayne has posted an im-

pressive season statistics-wise, scoring 36 goals this season. The only downside that has hindered the team is that it has given up 34 goals as well.

The important thing for the Mastodons is that they were able to snag two Summit League victories and take the three seed from Eastern late in the season.

Eastern

The Panthers started conference play with a draw against Goliath itself: Denver. Eastern frustrated Shinyashiki and was able to get a conference point to start Summit League play.

In the next conference match against Western Illinois, Christian Sosnowski, Eastern's leading scor-

er, scored a game-winning goal in the 105th minute to give Eastern the second-place spot in the conference.

But the second half of the conference season was not as kind to Eastern, as the Panthers only got one conference point from a draw with Oral Roberts in three matches.

Now, in the postseason tournament, Eastern will face one-seed Denver again on Thursday at 1 p.m. mountain time. Two-seeded Omaha will face Fort Wayne at 4 p.m. mountain time Thursday, and the winners will faceoff in the championship match on Saturday.

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Eastern sophomore linebacker Dytrarious Johnson looms over the defensive line as he prepares to defend in a practice at O'Brien Field in October. Johnson is second on the team with 60 tackles and first with 12 tackles for loss.

A road less traveled

How Eastern's Dytrarious Johnson went from a Michigan recruit, to one of the OVC's best talents

By JJ Bullock
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Eastern sophomore linebacker Dytrarious Johnson's football career was originally not supposed to happen at Eastern.

The six-foot-one, 255-pound line-backing product from Alabama was tagged as a three-star recruit coming out of Prattville High School and committed to play football at the University of Michigan, a perennial powerhouse in the Big 10 conference. But an issue with transcripts led to Michigan dropping his commitment in late November, coming as a shock to Johnson and his recruiter, neither of whom were notified immediately.

When Johnson found out he was dropped from Michigan and would not be playing in the Big 10, he said that at first it was tough for him to handle, as the news came so unexpectedly.

"I put a lot of time and effort into that one school just to be dropped without them telling me upfront," Johnson said. "I just felt betrayed I guess."

That is all in the past now, however, for Johnson, and he truly believes that all of that happened for the best and that Eastern is exactly where he is meant to be. Any thoughts of "what if" no longer cycle through his head.

"I am kind of happy I didn't go (to Michigan)," Johnson said. "It would have worked out for the best for me to come (to Eastern) in the first place. Originally, I wanted to go somewhere with my friends, I wanted to go with somebody that I knew, but they all ended up leaving anyways, so I really didn't care that I didn't go there anymore."

Johnson transferred from Prattville

High School after his junior year and attended Alabama Prep in Birmingham, Ala. One of his coaches at Alabama Prep had a connection at Eastern and made a call, Johnson was brought to campus quickly and is now one of the Ohio Valley Conference's most intriguing young talents.

Johnson has all of the physical traits a team could ask for in a linebacker. He is strong; this summer a video was posted of him squatting 800 lbs, and that strength shows. Johnson hits ball carriers hard, plain and simple. The crack of padding when a ball carrier is unfortunate enough to meet Johnson head-on can be heard at the top levels of most press boxes and reverberates through a stadium like a firecracker. Johnson adds to his strength with speed not found in most OVC linebackers, as Johnson can often track down most running backs, and certainly most quarterbacks, trying to escape him in the open field.

The talent of Johnson is without question; prior to the season Eastern's defensive coordinator said Johnson had the potential to be one of the best players in all of FCS football. But, Johnson is also admittedly inconsistent on the football field as a sophomore. At times he can look lost on defense, being out of place or sometimes even missing tackles.

"Some days I feel like I'll go full speed; some days I just think too much, and my emotions or my injuries hold me back," Johnson said. "So, I just have to focus on being more full-throttle all the time."

But, when Johnson is on full-throttle mode, there are not many players on Eastern's defense that can change a game like he can. Johnson leads the team with 12 tackles for loss this season and is sec-

"I just try to be the best player I can be; I try to get back on the field as much as possible because I know my teammates want me back on the field."

Dytrarious Johnson, linebacker

ond with 60 total tackles.

Both injuries and his mind have held Johnson back at time this season. He has been dealing with a shoulder injury all season, that has at times knocked him out of games for brief periods in time. He also hurt his hand in a game this season.

"I have basically been just nervous to play because of my shoulder. I hurt my shoulder I think a week before the first game, so it got worse, and I started being hesitant about a lot of stuff because I was scared to hit my with my body," Johnson said. "But after a while I just said, 'I don't really care anymore, I just have to do what's best for the team.' So, I just started playing."

To work through his injuries and stay on the field, Johnson has spent a lot of time in the training room trying to "help himself out." He also tries to keep himself healthy in practice, and if the team is doing something he knows could re-aggravate his injury, he sits it out. But when it comes to game day, however, Johnson tries not to think about his injuries and just plays football how he knows, fast and brutal.

"I just try to be the best player I can be; I try to get back on the field as much as possible because I know my teammates want me back on the field," Johnson said. "So, it's really not about me."

His brain too is something that often gets in the way of Johnson playing at his full potential.

Johnson is an overthinker and often over-analyzes what is happening on the field, which leads to him sometimes being out of place on the field.

This is something that Eastern head coach Kim Dameron says is part of a maturity and learning process with a player like Johnson. It is something though that can be expected of a player as young as Johnson working as large of a role as he has.

"He kind of over-analyzes things sometimes, which can kind of paralyze yourself a little bit because you're analyzing stuff too much, or I think sometimes his feelings sometimes kind of get in the way of his ability to just go play," Dameron said. "That's the maturity part I am talking about. There is more to growing up than just getting the reps and understanding the game. There is a lot more to playing college football at a high level and growing up, not only physically, but emotionally, and just understanding the schemes better and all of that, but he has got a lot of natural talent."

One of the challenges with a player like Johnson for coaches is how physically gifted he is. He can make all the plays a division athlete can be expected to make

and then some, but Dameron said that getting a young player to just be in the right spots and have their eyes looking in the right places is something that is a part of the developing process.

"Like all players that try to make the jump from high school to college there is a transition period," Dameron said. "He is towards the end of his sophomore season now, and we're seeing a lot of improvement in him and his game and his maturity, and we're hoping for the next two years that he is really going to play at a high level."

Johnson's goal is certainly to play at the next level in the NFL, and he has the physical attributes to do so, but both he and Dameron said making that jump will depend on more than just on the field play. Dameron said Johnson needs to be willing to work to bring his top game every week to be at the next level some day. Johnson himself recognized he still has a long way to go before the NFL.

"Maybe in the future I think I could (play in the NFL), but as of right now, no," Johnson said. "I don't think I am there mentally yet. I have a lot of stuff to work out on and off the field. But, in the future I think I could be able to get myself there by the end, and I'll be ready."

Johnson still has two years to ready himself for the next level. On a physical and talent scale, Johnson has the right tools to be ready when the time comes. But, it will be his growth mentally that will make the biggest difference for Johnson, not just in the future, but immediately for Eastern's hard-hitting, uber-talented, middle linebacker.

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